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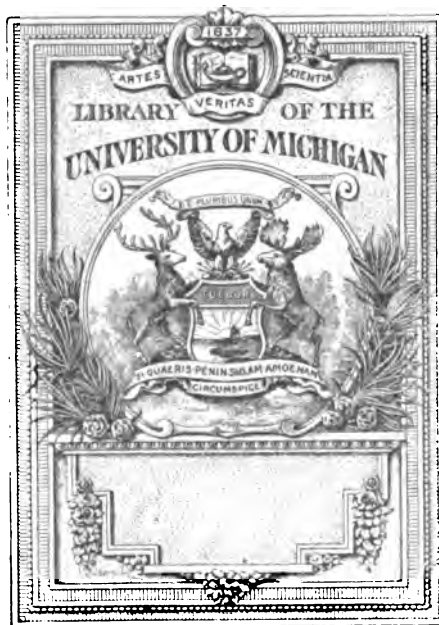
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[NOTE.—SPECIFIC PORTIONS OF THE ORIGINAL ACT AFFECTED BY AMENDMENTS ARE PRINTED IN BOLD-FACE TYPE.]

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the* Census to be taken.
 2 *United States of America in Congress assembled, That a census of the* Census to comprehend what.
 3 population, of deaths, and of the manufacturing, mechanical, and agri-
 4 cultural products of the United States shall be taken in the year nineteen
 5 hundred, and once every ten years thereafter.
- 6 SEC. 2. That there shall be established in the Department of the Census Office in Interior Department.
 7 Interior a Census Office, the chief officer of which shall be denominated Director, duties of:
 8 the Director of the Census. It shall be his duty to superintend and
 9 direct the taking of the Twelfth Census of the United States, in accord-
 10 ance with the laws relating thereto, and to perform such **other duties**
 11 as may be required of him by law. The Director of the Census shall How appointed.
 12 be appointed, as soon as practicable after the passage of this Act, by
 13 the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and
 14 shall receive an **annual salary of six thousand dollars**; and there shall Salary.
 15 also be an Assistant Director of the Census, to be appointed in like Assistant Director, how appointed:
 16 manner, who shall be an experienced practical statistician, and shall To be practical statistician.
 17 receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars: *Provided, That noth-* Salary.
 18 *ing herein contained shall be construed to establish a census bureau* Limitation of bureau.
 19 *permanent beyond the Twelfth Census.*
- 20 SEC. 3. That during the absence of the Director of the Census, or Assistant Director to act as Director,
 21 when the office of Director shall become vacant, the Assistant Director when.
 22 shall perform the duties of the Director.
- 23 SEC. 4. That **there shall also be in the Census Office**, to be ap- Clerical force:
 24 pointed by the Director thereof in the manner hereinafter specified, five Chief statisticians.
 25 chief statisticians, who shall be persons of known and tried experience
 26 in statistical work, at an annual salary of three thousand dollars each; a Chief Clerk.
 27 chief clerk, one disbursing clerk, and one geographer, at an annual salary Disbursing clerk. Geographer.
 28 of two thousand five hundred dollars each; **five expert chiefs of** Expert chiefs of division.
 29 **division and two stenographers**, at an annual salary of two thousand Stenographers.
 30 **dollars each; ten clerks of class four, fifteen clerks of class three, twenty** Clerks, copyists, computers, and
 31 **clerks of class two, and such number of clerks of class one, and of clerks,** skilled laborers.
 32 **copyists, computers, and skilled laborers**, with salaries at the rate of
 33 not less than six hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars
 34 per annum, to be appointed from time to time, as may be found neces-
 35 sary for the proper and prompt performance of the duties herein required
 36 to be undertaken. The disbursing clerk herein provided for shall, before Bond of disbursing clerk.
 37 entering upon his duties, **give bond to the Secretary of the Treasury in**
 38 **the sum of fifty thousand dollars**, which bond shall be conditioned that
 39 the said officer shall render a true and faithful account to the proper
 40 accounting officers of the Treasury, quarter-yearly, of all moneys and
 41 properties which shall be received by him by virtue of his office, with
 42 sureties to be approved by the Solicitor of the Treasury. Such bond
 43 shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Treasury, to be by him
 44 put in suit upon any breach of the conditions thereof.
- 45 The Director of the Census may also appoint one captain of the Watchmen.
 46 watch, at a salary of eight hundred and forty dollars per annum; two Messengers.
 47 messengers, and such number of watchmen, assistant messengers, and Laborers.
 48 laborers, at salaries of six hundred dollars each per annum; messenger Messenger boys.
 49 boys, at salaries of four hundred dollars each per annum; and char- Charwomen.

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women, at salaries of two hundred and forty dollars each per annum, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5 That the chief clerk and the chief statisticians provided for in section four of this Act, and all other employees authorized by this Act below the Assistant Director of the Census, shall be appointed by the Director of the Census, subject to such examination as said Director may prescribe: *Provided*, That no examination shall be required in the case of enumerators or special agents, nor of employees below the grade of skilled laborers at six hundred dollars per annum. *And provided further*, That employees in existing branches of the departmental service, whose services may be specially desired by the Director of the Census, not exceeding six in all, may be transferred without examination, and at the end of such service the employees so transferred shall be eligible to appointment in any department without additional examination, when vacancies exist.

SEC. 6. That the collection of the information required by this Act shall be made, under the direction of the Director of the Census, by supervisors, enumerators, and special agents, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 7. That the Twelfth Census shall be **restricted to** inquiries relating to the population, to mortality, to the products of agriculture and of manufacturing and mechanical establishments. The schedules relating to the population shall comprehend for each inhabitant the name, age, color, sex, conjugal condition, place of birth, and place of birth of parents, whether alien or naturalized, number of years in the United States, occupation, months unemployed, literacy, school attendance, and ownership of farms and homes; and the Director of the Census may use his discretion as to the construction and form and number of inquiries necessary to secure information under the topics aforesaid. The mortality schedules shall comprehend for each decedent the name, sex, color, age, conjugal condition, place of birth, and birthplace of parents, occupation, cause and date of death, and, if born within the census year, the date of birth. The form and arrangement of the schedule and the specific questions necessary to secure the information required shall be in the discretion of the Director. The schedules relating to agriculture shall comprehend the following topics: Name of occupant of each farm, color of occupant, tenure, acreage, value of farm and improvements, acreage of different products, quantity and value of products, and number and value of live stock. All questions as to quantity and value of crops shall relate to the year ending December thirty-first next preceding the enumeration. The specific form and division of inquiries necessary to secure information under the foregoing topics shall be in the discretion of the Director of the Census. The schedules of inquiries relating to the products of manufacturing and mechanical establishments shall embrace the name and location of each establishment; character of organization, whether individual, cooperative, or other form; date of commencement of operations; character of business or kind of goods manufactured; amount of capital invested; number of proprietors, firm members, copartners, or officers, and the amount of their salaries; number of employees, and the amount of their wages; quantity and cost of materials used in manufactures; amount of miscellaneous expenses; quantity and value of products; time in operation during the census year; character and quantity of power used, and character and number of machines employed. The form and subdivision of inquiries necessary to secure the information under the foregoing topics relating to manufacturing and mechanical industries shall be in the discretion of the Director of the Census. The information collected shall

Appointments:

How made.

Subject to examination.

Exempt from examination.

Transferred employees.

Information, how collected.

Inquiries comprehended in (Twelfth) Census proper:

Population schedules.

Mortality schedules.

Agricultural schedules.

Manufacturing schedules.

1 be of and for the fiscal year of such corporations or establishments
 2 having its termination nearest to and preceding the first of June, nine-
 3 teen hundred. Whenever he shall deem it expedient, the Director of
 4 the Census may withhold the schedules for said manufacturing and
 5 mechanical statistics from the enumerators of the several subdivisions
 6 in any or all cases, and may charge the collection of these statis-
 7 tics upon special agents, to be employed without respect to locality.
 8 In cities or States where an official registration of deaths is main-
 9 tained the Director of the Census may, in his discretion, withhold
 10 the mortality schedule from the several enumerators within such
 11 cities or States, and may obtain the information required by this
 12 Act through official records, paying therefor such sum of money as
 13 may be found necessary, not exceeding two cents for each death thus
 14 returned. The Director of the Census is also authorized and directed
 15 to make suitable provisions for the enumeration of the population and
 16 products of Alaska and the Hawaiian Islands, for which purpose he
 17 may employ supervisors and enumerators or special agents as he may
 18 deem necessary. The only volumes that shall be prepared and pub-
 19 lished in connection with the Twelfth Census, except the Special
 20 Reports hereinafter provided for, shall relate to population, mortality
 21 and vital statistics, the products of agriculture, and of manufacturing
 22 and mechanical establishments, as above mentioned, and shall be des-
 23 ignated as and constitute the Census Reports, which said reports shall
 24 be published not later than the first day of July, nineteen hundred and
 25 two. The report upon population shall include a series of separate
 26 tables for each State, giving by counties the number of male persons
 27 below and above the age of twenty-one years, their color, whether
 28 native or foreign born, whether naturalized or not, and their literacy
 29 or illiteracy. All terms expressing weight, measure, distance, or value
 30 shall be expressed in the terms of the English language as spoken in
 31 this country.

32 SEC. 8. That after the completion and return of the enumeration
 33 and of the work upon the schedules relating to the products of agriculture
 34 and to manufacturing and mechanical establishments provided for in
 35 section seven of this Act, the Director of the Census is hereby authorized
 36 to collect statistics relating to special classes, including the insane,
 37 feeble-minded, deaf, dumb, and blind; to crime, pauperism, and benev-
 38 olence, including prisoners, paupers, juvenile delinquents, and inmates
 39 of benevolent and reformatory institutions; to deaths and births in
 40 registration areas; to social statistics of cities; to public indebtedness,
 41 valuation, taxation, and expenditures; to religious bodies; to electric
 42 light and power, telephone and telegraph business; to transportation
 43 by water, express business, and street railways; to mines, mining and
 44 minerals, and the production and value thereof, including gold, in
 45 divisions of placer and vein, and silver mines, and the number of men
 46 employed, the average daily wage, average working time and aggregate
 47 earnings in the various branches and aforesaid divisions of the mining
 48 industry: *Provided*, That the reports herein authorized relating to
 49 mines, mining, and minerals shall be published on or before July first,
 50 anno Domini nineteen hundred and three. And the Director of the
 51 Census shall prepare schedules containing such interrogatories as shall
 52 in his judgment be best adapted to elicit the information required
 53 under these subjects, with such specifications, divisions, and particu-
 54 lars under each head as he shall deem necessary to that end. For the
 55 purpose of securing the statistics required by this section, the Director
 56 of the Census may appoint special agents when necessary, and such

Schedules withdrawn from enumerators:
 Manufactures.

Mortality.

Alaska and Hawaiian Islands.

Census reports defined.

To be published by July 1, 1902.

Tables to be included in population re-
 port.

English terms to be used.

Miscellaneous statistics:

To be collected after Census proper.

Special classes.

Crime, pauperism, and benevolence.

Deaths and births.

Social statistics of cities.

Wealth, debt, and taxation.

Religious bodies.

Electric light and power.

Telephone and telegraph business.

Transportation by water.

Mines and mining.

Report on mines and mining to be pub-
 lished by July 1, 1903.

Schedules for miscellaneous statistics,
 preparation of.

Special agents for collection of.

1 special agents shall receive compensation as hereinafter provided. The	
2 statistics of deaths and births provided for in this section shall be	Deaths and births, statistics of, restricted
3 obtained from, and restricted to, the registration records of such States	to registration areas.
4 and municipalities as possess records affording satisfactory data in nec-	
5 essary detail, in the discretion of the Director, the compensation for	Compensation for copying death rec-
6 the transcription of which shall not exceed two cents for each birth or	ords.
7 death reported. The statistics of special classes, and of crime, pau-	Special classes, statistics of, restricted to
8 perism, and benevolence specified in this section shall be restricted to	institutions
9 institutions containing such classes: <i>Provided</i> , That at the time of the	
10 census enumeration the data relating to these classes may, in the dis-	
11 cretion of the Director of the Census, be collected by the enumerators	Institution enumerators. (See also Sec.
12 of such institutions, who shall receive compensation therefor at rates	13, page 6, line 3)
13 not exceeding, in per capita districts, five cents for each name enu-	
14 merated and returned. The collection of statistics authorized by this	Collection not to interfere with census
15 section shall be made at such time or times and in such manner as will	proper.
16 not interfere with nor delay the rapid completion of the census reports	
17 provided for in section seven of this Act, and all reports prepared under	Reports to be designated "Special Re-
18 the provisions of this section shall be designated as "Special Reports	ports."
19 of the Census Office."	
20 SEC. 9. That the Director of the Census shall, at least six months	Supervisors, number of, to be designated
21 prior to the date fixed for commencing the enumeration at the Twelfth	by Director.
22 and each succeeding decennial census, designate the number, whether	
23 one or more, of supervisors of census to be appointed within each State	
24 and Territory, the District of Columbia, Alaska, and the Hawaiian	To be appointed by the President.
25 Islands, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the	
26 advice and consent of the Senate: <i>Provided</i> , That the whole number	Number limited to 300.
27 of such supervisors shall not exceed three hundred: <i>And provided</i>	
28 <i>further</i> , That wherever practicable and desirable the boundaries of the	Districts to conform to Congressional
29 supervisors' districts shall conform to the boundaries of Congressional	Districts.
30 districts.	Supervisor's duties :
31 SEC. 10. That each supervisor of census shall be charged with the	
32 performance, within his own district, of the following duties: To con-	As to enumeration districts.
33 sult with the Director of the Census in regard to the division of his	
34 district into subdivisions most convenient for the purpose of the enumera-	As to employment of enumerators.
35 tion, which subdivisions shall be declared and the boundaries thereof	
36 fixed by the Director of the Census; to designate to the Director suit-	
37 able persons, and, with the consent of said Director, to employ such	
38 persons as enumerators within his district, one or more for each sub-	
39 division and resident therein; but in case it shall occur in any enumera-	
40 tion district that no person qualified to perform and willing to undertake	
41 the duties of enumerator resides in that subdivision the supervisor may	To instruct enumerators.
42 employ any fit person to be the enumerator of that subdivision; to	To examine returns.
43 communicate to enumerators the necessary instructions and directions	To correct defects in returns.
44 relating to their duties; to examine and scrutinize the returns of the	
45 enumerators, and in event of discrepancies or deficiencies appearing in	
46 the returns for his district, to use all diligence in causing the same to	
47 be corrected and supplied; to forward to the Director of the Census the	
48 completed returns for his district in such time and manner as shall be	
49 prescribed by the said Director, and to make up and forward to the	To make up and certify enumerator's
50 Director the accounts required for ascertaining the amount of compen-	accounts.
51 sation due to each enumerator in his district, which accounts shall be	
52 duly sworn to by the enumerator, and the same shall be certified as true	
53 and correct, if so found, by the supervisor, and said accounts so sworn	
54 to and certified shall be accepted by the said Director, and payment	
55 shall be made thereon by draft in favor of each enumerator. The duties	To be performed in accordance with
56 imposed upon the supervisor by this Act shall be performed, in any and	instructions.

1	all particulars, in accordance with the instructions and directions of the	
2	Director of the Census: <i>Provided</i> , That if the supervisor of any dis-	Failure in qualification of supervisor.
3	trict has not been appointed and qualified on the ninetieth day pre-	
4	ceding the date fixed for the commencement of the enumeration, the	
5	Director of the Census may appoint a special agent, who shall be a	Special agent may be appointed to sub-
6	resident of the same district, to perform the work of subdivision into	divide district, when.
7	enumeration districts: <i>And provided</i> , That any supervisor who may	Director may remove supervisor for neg-
8	abandon, neglect, or improperly perform the duties required of him by	lect, etc.
9	this Act may be removed by the Director of the Census, and any	Director may fill vacancies.
10	vacancy thus caused or otherwise occurring during the progress of the	
11	enumeration may be filled by the Director of the Census.	
12	Sec. 11. That each supervisor of census shall, upon the completion	Compensation of supervisors.
13	of his duties to the satisfaction of the Director of the Census, receive	
14	the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, and in addition thereto,	
15	in thickly settled districts, one dollar for each thousand or majority	
16	fraction of a thousand of the population enumerated in such district,	
17	and in sparsely settled districts one dollar and forty cents for each	
18	thousand or majority fraction of a thousand of the population enumer-	
19	ated in such district; such sums to be in full compensation for all serv-	
20	ices rendered and expenses incurred by him, except that in serious	
21	emergencies arising during the progress of the enumeration in his dis-	
22	trict, or in connection with the reenumeration of any subdivision, he	
23	may, in the discretion of the Director of the Census, be allowed actual	Traveling expenses.
24	and necessary traveling expenses and an allowance in lieu of subsist-	Subsistence.
25	ence not exceeding three dollars per day during his necessary absence	
26	from his usual place of residence, and that an appropriate allowance	
27	for clerk hire may be made when deemed necessary by the Director of	Clerk hire.
28	the Census: <i>Provided</i> , That in the aggregate no supervisor shall be	Minimum compensation \$1,000.
29	paid less than the sum of one thousand dollars. The designation of	Designation of rate of compensation to
30	the compensation per thousand, as provided in this section, shall be	be made in advance.
31	made by the Director of the Census at least one month in advance of	
32	the date fixed for the commencement of the enumeration.	
33	Sec. 12. That each enumerator shall be charged with the collection,	Enumerator's duties:
34	in his subdivision, of facts and statistics required by the population	
35	schedule, and such other schedules as the Director of the Census may	To collect information determined by
36	determine shall be used by him in connection with the census, as pro-	Director.
37	vided in section seven of this Act. It shall be the duty of each enu-	To visit each family.
38	merator to visit personally each dwelling house in his subdivision, and	
39	each family therein, and each individual living out of a family in any	
40	place of abode, and by inquiry made of the head of each family, or of	
41	the member thereof deemed most credible and worthy of trust, or of	
42	such individual living out of a family, to obtain each and every item	
43	of information and all particulars required by this Act as of date June	
44	first of the year in which the enumeration shall be made. And in case	To obtain information from other per-
45	no person shall be found at the usual place of abode of such family,	sons.
46	or individual living out of a family, competent to answer the inquiries	
47	made in compliance with the requirements of this Act, then it shall	
48	be lawful for the enumerator to obtain the required information, as	
49	nearly as may be practicable, from the family or families or person or	
50	persons living nearest to such place of abode; and it shall be the duty	To certify and forward schedules.
51	of each enumerator to forward the original schedules, duly certified, to	
52	the supervisor of census of his district as his returns under the pro-	
53	visions of this Act; and in the event of discrepancies or deficiencies	To supply deficiencies and correct er-
54	being discovered in his said returns he shall use all diligence in cor-	rors.
55	recting or supplying the same. In case the subdivision assigned to	To distinguish inhabitants of cities,
56	any enumerator embraces all or any part of any incorporated borough,	villages, etc.

1 village, town, or city, and also other territory not included within the
 2 limits of such incorporated borough, village, town, or city, or either,
 3 it shall be the duty of the enumerator of such subdivision to clearly
 4 and plainly distinguish and separate, upon the population schedules,
 5 the inhabitants of all or any part of such borough, village, town, or
 6 city, as may be embraced in the subdivision assigned to such enumer-
 7 ator, from the inhabitants of the territory not included therein. No
 8 enumerator shall be deemed qualified to enter upon his duties until he
 9 has received from the supervisor of census of the district to which he
 10 belongs a commission, under his hand, authorizing him to perform the
 11 duties of an enumerator, and setting forth the boundaries of the sub-
 12 division within which such duties are to be performed by him.

Supervisors to commission enumerators.

13 SEC. 13. That the subdivision assigned to any enumerator shall not
 14 exceed four thousand inhabitants as near as may be, according to esti-
 15 mates based on the preceding census or other reliable information, and
 16 the boundaries of all subdivisions shall be clearly described by civil
 17 divisions, rivers, roads, public surveys, or other easily distinguished
 18 lines: *Provided*, That enumerators may be assigned for the special
 19 enumeration of institutions, when desirable, without reference to the
 20 number of inmates.

Enumerators' districts not to contain more than 4,000 inhabitants.

Boundaries of districts to be described, how.

Institution enumerators. (*See also*, Sec. 8, page 4, line 9.)

21 SEC. 14. That any supervisor of census may, with the approval of
 22 the Director of the Census, remove any enumerator in his district and
 23 fill the vacancy thus caused or otherwise occurring. Whenever it shall
 24 appear that any portion of the enumeration and census provided for
 25 in this Act has been negligently or improperly taken, and is by reason
 26 thereof incomplete or erroneous, the Director of the Census may cause
 27 such incomplete and unsatisfactory enumeration and census to be
 28 amended or made anew under such methods as may, in his discretion, be
 29 practicable.

Removal of enumerators.

Incomplete or erroneous returns to be amended, how.

30 SEC. 15. That the Director of the Census may authorize and direct
 31 supervisors of census to employ interpreters to assist the enumerators
 32 of their respective districts in the enumeration of persons not speak-
 33 ing the English language. The compensation of such interpreters
 34 shall be fixed by the Director of the Census in advance, and shall not
 35 exceed four dollars per day for each day actually and necessarily em-
 36 ployed.

Interpreters, employment of.

Compensation.

37 SEC. 16. That the compensation of the enumerators shall be as-
 38 certained and fixed by the Director of the Census as follows: In subdivi-
 39 sions where he shall deem such allowance sufficient, an allowance of
 40 not less than two nor more than three cents for each living inhabitant
 41 and for each death reported; not less than fifteen nor more than twenty
 42 cents for each farm; and not less than twenty nor more than thirty
 43 cents for each establishment of productive industry enumerated and
 44 returned may be given in full compensation for all services. For all
 45 other subdivisions per diem rates shall be fixed by the Director of the
 46 Census according to the difficulty of enumeration, having reference to
 47 the nature of the region to be canvassed and the density or sparseness
 48 of settlement, or other considerations pertinent thereto; but the com-
 49 pensation allowed to any enumerator in any such district shall not be
 50 less than three dollars nor more than six dollars per day of ten hours'
 51 actual field work each. The subdivisions to which the several rates of
 52 compensation shall apply shall be designated by the Director of the
 53 Census at least two weeks in advance of the enumeration. No claim
 54 for mileage or traveling expenses shall be allowed any enumerator in
 55 either class of subdivisions, except in extreme cases, and then only
 56 when authority has been previously granted by the Director of the

Enumerators' compensation:

At per capita rates.

At per diem rates.

To be fixed in advance.

Traveling expenses.

1 Census, and the decision of the Director as to the amount due any
2 enumerator shall be final. Decision of Director is final.

3 SEC. 17. That the special agents appointed under the provisions of
4 this Act shall have equal authority with the enumerators in respect to
5 the subjects committed to them under this Act, and shall receive com-
6 pensation at rates to be fixed by the Director of the Census: *Provided*,
7 That the same shall in no case exceed six dollars per day and actual
8 necessary traveling expenses and an allowance in lieu of subsistence not
9 exceeding three dollars per day during their necessary absence from their
10 usual place of residence: *And provided further*, That no pay or allow-
11 ance in lieu of subsistence shall be allowed special agents when employed
12 in the Census Office on other than the special work committed to them,
13 and no appointments of special agents shall be made for clerical
14 work. Special agents:
Authority.
Compensation.
Traveling expenses.
Subsistence.
Not to be appointed for clerical work.

15 SEC. 18. That no supervisor, supervisor's clerk, enumerator, inter-
16 preter, or special agent shall enter upon his duties until he has taken
17 and subscribed to an oath or affirmation, to be prescribed by the Director
18 of the Census; and no supervisor, supervisor's clerk, enumerator, or
19 special agent shall be accompanied by or assisted in the performance of
20 his duties by any person not duly appointed as an officer or employee of
21 the Census Office, and to whom an oath or affirmation has not been duly
22 administered. All appointees and employees provided for in this Act
23 shall be appointed or employed, and if examined, so examined, as the
24 case may be, solely with reference to their fitness to perform the duties
25 herein provided to be by such employee or appointee performed, and
26 without reference to their political party affiliations. Oath of office to be prescribed by Di-
rector.
Employees not to be accompanied or
assisted.
Employees to be examined and appoint-
ed solely for fitness, without reference
to party affiliations.

27 SEC. 19. That the enumeration of the population required by this
28 Act shall commence on the first day of June, nineteen hundred, and on
29 the first day of June of the year in which each succeeding enumeration
30 shall be made, and be taken as of that date. And it shall be the duty
31 of each enumerator to complete the enumeration of his district and to
32 prepare the returns hereinbefore required to be made, and to forward
33 the same to the supervisor of census of his district, on or before the
34 first day of July in such year: *Provided*, That in any city having eight
35 thousand inhabitants or more under the preceding census the enumer-
36 ation of the population shall be taken and completed within two weeks
37 from the first day of June as aforesaid. Enumeration:
To commence June 1, 1900.
To be completed by July 1, 1900.
To be completed in cities within two
weeks.

38 SEC. 20. That if any person shall receive or secure to himself any
39 fee, reward, or compensation as a consideration for the appointment or
40 employment of any person as enumerator or clerk or other employee,
41 or shall in any way receive or secure to himself any part of the com-
42 pensation provided in this Act for the services of any enumerator or
43 clerk or other employee, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor,
44 and on conviction thereof shall be fined not more than three thousand
45 dollars, or be imprisoned not more than one year, or both, in the
46 discretion of the court. Penalties:
For receiving pay for securing an ap-
pointment.

47 SEC. 21. That any supervisor, supervisor's clerk, enumerator, inter-
48 preter, special agent or other employee, who, having taken and sub-
49 scribed the oath of office required by this Act, shall, without justifiable
50 cause, neglect or refuse to perform the duties enjoined on him by this
51 Act, or shall, without the authority of the Director of the Census, com-
52 municate to any person not authorized to receive the same any informa-
53 tion gained by him in the performance of his duties, shall be deemed
54 guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceed-
55 ing five hundred dollars; or if he shall willfully and knowingly swear,
56 or affirm falsely, he shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and upon convic-
For refusal to perform duties.
For communicating information.
For false oath.

tion thereof shall be imprisoned not exceeding three years and be fined not exceeding eight hundred dollars; or if he shall willfully and knowingly make a false certificate or a fictitious return, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction of either of the last-named offenses he shall be fined not exceeding five thousand dollars and be imprisoned not exceeding two years.

For false certificate or fictitious return.

SEC. 22. That each and every person more than twenty years of age belonging to any family residing in any enumeration district or subdivision, and in case of the absence of the heads and other members of any such family, then any representative of such family, shall be, and each of them hereby is, required, if thereto requested by the Director, supervisor, or enumerator, to render a true account, to the best of his or her knowledge, of every person belonging to such family in the various particulars required, and whoever shall willfully fail or refuse to render such true account shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars. And every president, treasurer, secretary, director, agent, or other officer of every corporation, and every establishment of productive industry, whether conducted as a corporate body, limited liability company, or by private individuals, from which answers to any of the schedules, inquiries, or statistical interrogatories provided for by this Act are herein required, who shall, if thereto requested by the Director, supervisor, enumerator, or special agent, willfully neglect or refuse to give true and complete answers to any inquiries authorized by this Act, or shall willfully give false information, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not exceeding ten thousand dollars, to which may be added imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year.

Penalties:

For refusing information.
Individuals.

Officers of corporations.

SEC. 23. That all fines and penalties imposed by this Act may be enforced by indictment or information in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Enforcement of penalties.

SEC. 24. That the Director of the Census may authorize the expenditure of necessary sums for the traveling expenses of the officers and employees of the Census Office and the incidental expenses essential to the carrying out of this Act, as herein provided for, and not otherwise, including the rental of sufficient quarters in the District of Columbia and the furnishing thereof and the maintenance of the printing outfit in the Census Office.

Traveling expenses of employees.

Incidental office expenses.

Rent.

Printing outfit.

SEC. 25. That the Director of the Census is hereby authorized to print and bind in the Census Office such blanks, circulars, envelopes, and other items as may be necessary; and to print, publish, and distribute from time to time bulletins and reports of the preliminary and other results of the various investigations required by this Act.

Printing and binding in Census Office.

Printing and distributing bulletins and reports.

SEC. 26. That in case the Director of the Census deems it expedient he may contract for the use of electrical or mechanical devices for tabulating purposes: *Provided*, That in such case due notice shall be given to the public, and no system of tabulation shall be adopted until after a practical test of its merits in competition with other systems which may be offered.

Tabulating devices.

SEC. 27. That all mail matter, of whatever class, relative to the census and addressed to the Census Office, the Director of the Census, Assistant Director, chief clerk, supervisors, enumerators, or special agents, and indorsed "Official business, Department of the Interior, Census Office," shall be transmitted free of postage, and by registered mail, if necessary, and so marked: *Provided*, That if any person shall make use of such indorsement to avoid the payment of postage or

Mail transmitted free.

Penalty for improper use of frank.



1 registry fee on his or her private letter, package, or other matter in the
2 mail, the person so offending shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and
3 subject to a fine of three hundred dollars, to be prosecuted in any court
4 of competent jurisdiction.

5 SEC. 28. That the Secretary of the Interior, on request of the Director
6 of the Census, is hereby authorized to call upon any other department
7 or office of the Government for information pertinent to the work herein
8 provided for.

Information from other Departments.

9 SEC. 29. That such records, books, and files as relate to preceding
10 censuses, and the printing-office outfit used in the Eleventh Census,
11 and such furniture and property of whatever nature used at the
12 Eleventh Census as may be necessary in conducting the work of the
13 Census Office and can be spared from present uses, shall be transferred
14 to the custody and control of the Census Office created by this Act.
15 The said furniture and property shall be inventoried by the proper
16 officers of the Department of the Interior when such transfer is made,
17 and a copy of the inventory filed and preserved in the office of the Sec-
18 retary of the Interior and of the Director of the Census.

Records and property of preceding cen-
suses to be transferred.

19 SEC. 30. That upon the request of the governor of any State or Ter-
20 ritory, or the chief officer of any municipal government, the Director
21 of the Census shall furnish such governor or municipal officer with a
22 copy of so much of the population returns as will show the names, with
23 the age, sex, color, or race, and birthplace only of all persons enumer-
24 ated within the territory in the jurisdiction of such government, upon
25 payment of the actual cost of making such copies; and the amounts so
26 received shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States, to be
27 placed to the credit of, and in addition to, the appropriations made for
28 taking the census.

Inventory of property transferred.

Copies of population returns to be fur-
nished, whom.

29 SEC. 31. That the Director of the Census shall provide the Census
30 Office with a seal containing such device as he may select, and he shall
31 file a description of such seal with an impression thereof in the office of
32 the Secretary of State. Such seal shall remain in the custody of the
33 Director of the Census, and shall be affixed to all certificates and
34 attestations that may be required from the Census Office.

Moneys received for copies of returns to
be credited to census appropriations.

Official seal.

35 SEC. 32. That for the organization and equipment of the Census
36 Office to perform the preparatory work necessary to carry out the pro-
37 visions of this Act, the sum of one million dollars, to be available on
38 the passage of this Act, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in
39 the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and to continue available
40 until exhausted. Of said appropriation such amount as may be con-
41 sidered by the Director of the Census to be necessary for immediate
42 preliminary printing may be expended under the direction of the Public
43 Printer. And the Secretary of the Interior shall submit to the Secretary
44 of the Treasury, on or before October first, eighteen hundred and ninety-
45 nine, further estimates for the work herein provided for.

Appropriation of \$1,000,000.

To continue available.
Preliminary printing by Public Printer.

Estimates.

46 SEC. 33. That the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the taking of
47 the Eleventh and subsequent censuses," approved March first, eighteen
48 hundred and eighty-nine, and all laws and parts of laws inconsistent
49 with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Repeal of inconsistent provisions of law.

50 Approved, March 3, 1899.

AMENDATORY ACT OF FEBRUARY 1, 1900.

(REFERRED TO IN INDEX, AS A-1.)

[PUBLIC—No. 7.]

An Act Relating to the Twelfth and subsequent censuses, and giving to the Director thereof additional power and authority in certain cases, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the*
2 *United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in addition to the
3 power and authority conferred upon the Director of the Census by an Act
4 entitled "An Act to provide for taking the Twelfth and subsequent
5 censuses," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine,
6 said Director of the Census shall have power, and is hereby authorized,
7 to appoint and employ, as the necessity therefor may arise, one pur-
8 chasing agent, at an annual salary of two thousand five hundred dollars;
9 two chiefs of division, at an annual salary of two thousand dollars each;
10 five clerks of class four; six clerks of class three, and eight clerks of
11 class two; to employ such number of special agents, not exceeding
12 thirty-five in all, as may be proper and necessary for the purpose of
13 gathering any information or data in relation to or required by the
14 agricultural schedules; to employ special agents to assist the super-
15 visors in large cities whenever he may deem it proper, in connection
16 with the work of preparation for, or during the progress of, the enu-
17 meration, or in connection with the reenumeration of any district, or
18 a part thereof; to employ as special agents such of the supervisors of
19 census as he may deem wise and proper, at the compensation provided
20 for in section seventeen of said Act, the intent and purpose being that
21 the supervisors of census may be appointed special agents at the time
22 they are acting as supervisors, and receive the compensation to which
23 they are entitled as supervisors, and also as special agents; and the
24 Director of the Census is authorized and directed to collect statistics
25 relating to all of the deaf, dumb, and blind, notwithstanding the
26 restrictions and limitations contained in section eight of said Act enti-
27 tled "An Act to provide for taking the Twelfth and subsequent censuses :"
28 *Provided,* That in taking the census of said classes the inquiries shall
29 be confined to the following four questions, namely: Name, age, sex,
30 and post-office address; and the Director of the Census is hereby spec-
31 ically authorized to pay such supervisors for their services as special
32 agents the compensation which he may authorize out of any general
33 or special appropriation which may be made for the payment of special
34 agents, and to allow any supervisor of census, in addition to the con-
35 tingencies provided for in section eleven of said Act, actual and neces-
36 sary traveling expenses and an allowance in lieu of subsistence not
37 exceeding three dollars per day during his necessary absence from his
38 usual place of residence in connection with the work of preparation for
39 the enumeration; to allow, in fixing the compensation of enumerators,
40 not more than five cents for each death reported; to purchase any and
41 all law books, books of reference, or periodicals, which may be required
42 from time to time in the Census Office, and pay for the same out of the
43 sum appropriated by the said Act of March third, eighteen hundred
44 and ninety-nine, or any other appropriation hereafter made for the
45 census work, whether there be a specific authorization for such pur-

Additional authority conferred on Di-
rector.

Additional force:
Purchasing agent.
Two chiefs of division.
Five clerks of class four.
Six clerks of class three.
Eight clerks of class two.
Special agents for agriculture.

Special agents to assist supervisors.

Supervisors employed also as special
agents.

Statistics of deaf, dumb, and blind:

Limitation of Census act removed.

Restricted to four inquiries.

Payment of supervisors as special agents.

Traveling expenses and allowances in
preparatory work.

Compensation of enumerators for re-
porting deaths.

Purchase of books of reference, etc.

1 chases or not: *Provided*, That the aggregate amount of such purchases
 2 shall not exceed the sum of three thousand dollars. Limitation of expenditure for books.

3 SEC. 2. That in addition to the other statistics required to be col-
 4 lected by section seven of said Act approved March third, eighteen hun-
 5 dred and ninety-nine, there shall be collected on the agricultural schedules
 6 information concerning the number and kinds of live stock not on farms; Statistics of live stock not on farms:
 7 and the Director of the Census shall have power to pay the enumerators Compensation of enumerators for re-
 8 for collecting such information, in his discretion, not less than five turn of.
 9 nor more than ten cents for each barn or inclosure visited in which
 10 such live stock may be found: *Provided, however*, That the Director of
 11 the Census may appoint special agents to gather the information required Special agents to collect.
 12 by this section whenever he may deem it proper.

13 SEC. 3. That in the event of the death of any supervisor or enumera- Payments to widows or representatives
 14 tor after his appointment and entrance on his duties, the Director of the of deceased supervisors or enumera-
 15 Census be, and he is, authorized to pay to his widow, if there be one, tors.
 16 and, if not, to his legal representative such sum as may be just and fair
 17 for the services rendered by said supervisor or enumerator prior to his
 18 death.

Approved, February 1, 1900.

AMENDATORY ACT OF MAY 10, 1900.

(REFERRED TO IN INDEX, AS A-2.)

[PUBLIC—No. 98.]

An Act Relating to the Twelfth and subsequent censuses, and giving the Director thereof additional power and authority in certain cases, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United*
2 *States of America in Congress assembled,* That in addition to the power Additional authority conferred on Di-
3 and authority conferred upon the Director of the Census by an Act rector.
4 entitled "An Act to provide for taking the Twelfth and subsequent
5 censuses," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine,
6 said Director of the Census shall have power, and is hereby author- Additional force:
7 ized, to appoint and employ, as the necessity therefor may arise, one
8 superintendent of printing, at an annual salary of two thousand five
9 hundred dollars, and to appoint and employ such number of skilled Superintendent of printing.
10 mechanics and other persons in the Census printing office as may be Compensation.
11 necessary to carry into effect the preliminary printing and binding Skilled mechanics, in printing office.
12 provided for in said Act, at the same compensation as is paid for sim- Compensation.
13 ilar work in the Government Printing Office.
14 SEC. 2. That the chief clerk of the Census Office shall act as super- Superintendent of buildings:
15 intendent, and have general charge of all buildings occupied for the Chief Clerk to act as.
16 purpose of carrying on the work of the Census, and shall receive Additional compensation.
17 therefor the sum of three hundred dollars, in addition to his regular
18 salary.
19 SEC. 3. That the salary of the Director of the Census shall be seven Salary of Director increased.
20 thousand five hundred dollars per annum.
21 SEC. 4. That in addition to the sum provided to be paid to super- Compensation of supervisors, additional:
22 visors of census in section eleven of an Act entitled "An Act to pro- Two per cent of amount paid to enu-
23 vide for taking the Twelfth and subsequent censuses," approved March merators.
24 third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, the Director of the Census is
25 hereby authorized and directed to pay to each supervisor, as further
26 compensation, a sum equal to two per centum of the amount paid to
27 the enumerators for taking the census in said supervisor's district:
28 *Provided,* That the amount of such additional or further compensation Minimum additional compensation.
29 to be paid to each supervisor shall in no case be less than two hundred
30 and fifty dollars.

Approved, May 10, 1900.

AMENDATORY ACT OF JUNE 2, 1900.

(REFERRED TO IN INDEX, AS A-3.)

[PUBLIC—No. 140.]

An Act Requiring the disbursing clerk of the Census Office to file an additional bond, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United*
2 *States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Director of the
3 Census be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to require the dis-
4 bursing clerk of the Census Office to give bond to the Secretary of
5 the Treasury, in addition to that now required by law, in the penal
6 sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which bond shall con-
7 form to the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for
8 taking the Twelfth and subsequent censuses," approved March third,
9 eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, in relation to the bond to be filed by
10 the disbursing clerk of the Census Office: *Provided,* That the Director
11 of the Census may dispense with such additional bond after June
12 thirtieth, nineteen hundred and one.

Bond of disbursing clerk increased
\$250,000.

Increase limited to fiscal year 1901.

13 SEC. 2. That the salary of the disbursing clerk of the Census Office
14 is hereby increased for the year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hun-
15 dred and one, in the sum of five hundred dollars, so that for the year
16 commencing July first, nineteen hundred, and ending June thirtieth,
17 nineteen hundred and one, the salary of said officer shall be three
18 thousand dollars.

Salary of disbursing clerk, for fiscal year
1901, increased to \$3,000.

19 SEC. 3. That, in the absence of the Director and Assistant Director,
20 the chief clerk shall serve as Acting Director.

Chief Clerk to serve as Acting Director,
when.

Approved, June 2, 1900.

PROVISIONS IN THE GENERAL DEFICIENCY BILL
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1900.

[PUBLIC—No. 157.]

(REFERRED TO IN INDEX, AS G. D. B.)

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TWELFTH CENSUS.

1 The accounting officers of the Treasury are hereby directed to credit
2 and allow in the accounts of Edward McCauley, disbursing clerk of the Accounts of disbursing clerk.
3 Census Office, the sum of eleven dollars, being the amount paid by him Credit for certain expenditures.
4 for two directories of the city of Washington, District of Columbia,
5 and one manual of the State of Kentucky.
6 To pay Mrs. Ella M. Shell, widow of G. W. Shell, deceased, for Payment to Mrs. E. M. Shell.
7 services rendered by her husband as census supervisor for the fourth (Widow of supervisor.)
8 census district of South Carolina, five hundred dollars.

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Approved, June 6, 1900.

PROVISIONS IN THE SUNDRY CIVIL BILL FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1901.

[PUBLIC—No. 163.]

(REFERRED TO IN INDEX, AS S. C. B.)

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EXPENSES TWELFTH CENSUS.

9 For salaries and necessary expenses for taking and compiling the Salaries and expenses.
10 results of the Twelfth Census, in accordance with the act of March
11 third, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, providing for the Twelfth and
12 subsequent censuses, and amendments thereto, nine million dollars, Appropriation of \$9,000,000:
13 to continue available until expended, including two thousand five hun- To continue available.
14 dred dollars per annum to the appointment clerk, which sum is hereby Salary of appointment clerk fixed at
15 fixed as the annual salary of the office. \$2,500.

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Approved, June 6, 1900.

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[NOTE.—This act divides the census work into two distinct parts. The first part includes the investigations in which the data to be collected must be obtained either wholly, or for the greater part, through the enumerators. These embrace Population, Agriculture, Mortality, and Manufactures, and constitute the "Census proper;" the reports being designated as the "Census Reports," as provided for in Section 7.

The second part includes the miscellaneous investigations in which the collection of the data is not necessarily dependent upon the enumerators and embraces the special classes: Crime, pauperism, and benevolence; Deaths and births in registration areas (Vital statistics); Social statistics of cities; Public indebtedness, valuation, taxation, and expenditures; Religious bodies; Electric light and power; Telephone and telegraph business; Transportation by water; Express business; Street railways; and Mines, mining,

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